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Attorney Docket No. 19374-509 (GND-09)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



APPLICANT : Farmer  
ASSIGNEE : GANEDEN BIOTECH, INC.  
SERIAL NUMBER : 09/708,870 EXAMINER : Afremova, V.  
FILING DATE : November 8, 2000 ART UNIT : 1651  
FOR : Inhibition of Pathogens by Probiotic Bacteria

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the December 20, 2001 Office Action in the above-identified application. A check in the amount of \$200.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 19374-509 (GND-9).

Respectfully submitted,

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